

REMARKS

Claims 1-73 are cancelled without prejudice to further prosecution. Applicant reserves the right to present these claims later in this case or in a related case. Claims 74-101 are added. New claims 74 - 101 are supported in the original specification, *inter alia*, at paragraphs 43, 63, 67, 73-74, 134 and Figure 2. Thus, no new matter has been added by way of this amendment.

Applicant asserts that rejections are moot in view of the presently submitted claims.

C. The Applicant will Submit a Terminal Disclaimer Under 37 CFR §1.321, if the Claims Are Otherwise Allowable in Their Present Form

The Examiner provisionally rejected claims 1-20 and 22-59 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as allegedly being unpatentable over claims 1-62 of copending Application No. 10/211,199.

The Applicant will submit a terminal disclaimer in the present case if the claims are otherwise allowable in their present form, and if the claims of the cited co-pending application are allowed prior to the present claims.

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Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully requests the same. If the Examiner has any questions regarding the foregoing, he is cordially invited to contact the undersigned so that any such matters may be promptly resolved. Please apply any charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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